

# Ex-post evaluation of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between the EU and Canada

## NEWSLETTER

Second Newsletter | April 2024

### DEAR STAKEHOLDER,

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Newsletter of the CETA Ex-Post Evaluation project, meant to keep you updated about the progress of the study. We present you with the date (18<sup>th</sup> of April) of the first CSD meeting of the project, the study timeline, and CETA-related events.

### UPCOMING CIVIL SOCIETY MEETING - 18 APRIL 2024

On 18 April 2024, from 15.00 – 17.00, the **online EU Civil Society Dialogue (CSD)** on the CETA ex-post evaluation will take place to discuss the **Draft Inception Report**. Please click [HERE](#) to go to the European Commission registration page and **register** for this event. The draft Inception Report and its Annexes are published on the study project website [HERE](#).

### CONTACT POSSIBILITIES FOR THE STUDY

- 1) The **website** (EN/FR) for this project can be accessed at: [www.ceta-evaluation.eu](http://www.ceta-evaluation.eu). You can find the study objectives, timeline, documents, and the envisaged consultation activities there. You can also share with us any inputs.
- 2) The study's LinkedIn page: [CETA Evaluation](#)
- 3) The study's X/Twitter feed: [@CETAevaluation](#)
- 4) The Study's email address: [team@ceta-evaluation.eu](mailto:team@ceta-evaluation.eu)

### STUDY TIMELINE

- **April 2024 – October 2024:** 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the study (the Interim Phase) where we focus on analysis of the impact areas, including via consultations with stakeholders.
- **April/May 2024 – September 2024:** online surveys (OPC and business/SME) will be available for stakeholders share their opinions about the Agreement.
- **October-December 2024:** Online seminars at EU Member State level, and two special online seminars: one for SMEs and one for Canadian stakeholders.
- **October 2024 – March 2025:** final phase of the study, where we continue to engage with stakeholders and prepare the (draft) final report.

*Stay updated and make yourself heard!*



### CETA-RELATED EVENTS

**9 February 2024:** The *fourth Joint Committee meeting on CETA* took place and concluded that :1) EU-Canada trade has grown by over 50% since 2017; 2) Trade in services and investment have gone up; 3) It is helping EU and Canadian SMEs; 4) Both economies have become more resilient; and 5) The Agreement has supported diversification of supply chains and collaboration on critical raw materials.

**9 March 2024:** The *EU-Canada dialogue on raw materials* took place, discussing the state of implementation of the Strategic Partnership on Raw Materials.

**18-19 March 2024:** The *CETA Civil Society Forum* took place (with the Domestic Advisory Groups) with a focus on environment & climate change, collaboration on labour, discussions on business and human rights, and trade, gender & SMEs.

